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Applicants:

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Title:

Nickel Metal Hydride Battery With Improved

Separator

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Mail Stop Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby request a one-month extension of time, until May 2, 2004, for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, dated February 2, 2004. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 05-1068, Energy Conversion Devices, Inc., in the amount of \$110.00 for the extension of time.

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